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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

MM Docket No. 93-214

Dear Mr. Caton:

Transmitted herewith, on behalf of Lawrence F. Loesch and Margaret A. Loesch, licensees of Radio Station WERX-FM, Edenton, North Carolina, are an original and four copies of "Further Comments Of Lawrence and Margaret Loesch" in the above-captioned rule making proceeding.

If any questions should arise during the course of your consideration of these comments, it is respectfully requested that you communicate with this office.

Very truly yours,

THARRINGTON, SMITH & HARGROVE

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Lawrence F. Loesch and

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In the Matter of	)	
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Amendment of the	)	<i>;</i>
<b>Table of Allotments</b>	)	MM Docket No. 93-214/
FM Broadcast Stations	)	
Section 73.202(b) of the Rules	)	·
(Ocracoke, North Carolina)	)	

To: The Chief

> Policy and Rules Division Mass Media Bureau

#### **FURTHER COMMENTS** OF LAWRENCE AND MARGARET LOESCH

Lawrence F. Loesch and Margaret A. Loesch, licensees of Radio Station WERX-FM, Edenton, North Carolina ("WERX"), by their attorney and pursuant to Section 1.420 of the Rules, hereby submit their further comments to resolve an existing conflict in proposals now before the Commission on the Notice of Proposed Rule Making ("Notice"), issued in the above-captioned docket.

By the Notice, the Commission proposes to amend the FM Table of Allotments by substituting Channel 224C1 for Channel 225A at Ocracoke, North Carolina.

WERX desires to change its present allotment and city of license from Channel 273C2 at Edenton, North Carolina, to Channel 273C1 at Columbia, North Carolina. This proposal has been determined to be mutually exclusive with the proposal set forth in the Notice to substitute Channel 224C1 for 225A at Ocracoke, North Carolina.

In a counterproposal filed on September 17, 1993, WERX proposed that Channel 224A be substituted at Pine Knoll Shores for present Channel 272A to clear all allocation constraints with the exception of the Ocracoke, North Carolina, Class C1 requested upgrade. On or about October 4, 1993, Ocracoke Broadcasters ("OB"), permittee of a new FM Broadcast Station at Ocracoke, North Carolina, submitted Reply Comments in this proceeding arguing its proposed substitution of Channel 224C1 for Channel 225A at Ocracoke was to be preferred over the upgrade of WERX.

These further comments are filed to resolve the conflict between WERX's and OB's proposals. Upon further analysis, it has been demonstrated by WERX's engineers that Channel 290A can be substituted at Pine Knoll Shores (rather than 224A) at the same site and thereby remove the mutual exclusivity with OB. As set out in detail in the attached Engineering Statement of Clifton G. Moor, Bromo Communications, Channel 290 clears all allocation constraints for Pine Knoll Shores and because no further site restrictions are necessary and Channel 290 is usable at the same application site, all coverages and population figures contained in WERX's original filing remain the same.

WERX's proposal would thus result in a preferential arrangement of allotments from the standpoint of the public interest. If WERX is permitted to operate as proposed, an additional 34,675 persons will receive 60 dBu service from the station. See Engineering Statement of Bromo Communications attached as Exhibit A at p. 2 to WERX's original counterproposal. Because the proposal described herein will remove the mutual exclusivity between WERX's upgrade and OB's upgrade, WERX's proposed upgrade and increase in service to the public can be achieved in tandem with the Ocracoke upgrade.

#### Conclusion

WERX respectfully submits that the public interest would best be served by amending the FM Table of Allotments as follows:

<u>City</u>	<u>Present</u>	<b>Proposed</b>
Edenton, N.C.	261C2, 273C2	261C2
Columbia, N.C.	289C1	273C1, 289C1
Pine Knoll Shores, N.C.	272A	290A
Ocracoke, N.C.	225A	224C1

This the <u>S</u> day of November, 1993.

Respectfully submitted,

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# COUNTERPROPOSAL TO MM DOCKET #93-214 FILED BY LAWRENCE & MARGARET LOESCH REQUESTING CHANNEL 273C1 COLUMBIA, NORTH CAROLINA October 1993

Technical Exhibit
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## COUNTERPROPOSAL TO MM DOCKET #93-214 FILED BY LAWRENCE & MARGARET LOESCH REQUESTING CHANNEL 273C1 COLUMBIA, NORTH CAROLINA October 1993

#### RESOLUTION TO CONFLICT

This Resolution to Conflict is being filed to MM Docket #93-214, RM-8287, and is filed on behalf of Lawrence & Margaret Loesch ("Loesch"), licensees of WERX-FM, Edenton, North Carolina. Loesch wishes to upgrade from the present Channel 273C2, licensed to Edenton, North Carolina, to Channel 273C1, licensed to Columbia, North Carolina.

The previously filed Loesch counterproposal suggested Channel 224A be substituted at Pine Knoll Shores, North Carolina. Further examination reveals that Channel 290A can be substituted at Pine Knoll Shores at the identical application site and remove the mutual exclusivity with Ocracoke Broadcasters, petitioners for Channel 224C1 at Ocracoke, North Carolina. Exhibit #1 of this report is the allocation study indicating Channel 290 clears all allocation constraints for Pine Knoll Shores. Because no further site restrictions are necessary and this newly proposed Pine Knoll Shores channel is usable at the same application site, all coverages and population figures filed in the original Loesch counterproposal remain the same.

With the above Resolution of Conflict, Loesch requests \$73.207(b) reflect the following:

	Present	Proposed		
Edenton, NC	26102, 27302	26102		
Columbia, NC	289C1	273C1, 289C1		
Pine Knoll Shores, NC	272A	290A		
Ocracoke, NC	224C1 (Proposal)	22401		

All of the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. All data relating to authorized, applied or proposed facilities (FM stations) was extracted from the NTIA database as updated in September 1993. We assume no liability for omissions or errors in that database. Should questions arise during consideration of this counterproposal, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss the matter by phone at (912) 638-5608.

### P.O. Box M - ST SIMONS ISLAND GA 31522

#### Pine Knoll Shores, NC Searching at Application Site

REFERENCE 34 42 38 N	Current	CLASS A	iner			AY DATES 09-29-93 10-27-93
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TYPE	CH# CITY LAT LNG	PWR	HT	D-Mi	R-Mi	(KM)
WSFLFM	293C1 New Bern 35 Ø2 27 77 21 11 Caravelle B/C GRP of	NC 100.000 kW	299.0 279M	75.49 46.9	75.0 46.6	
	289C1 Columbia 35 53 18 76 13 50 Jones,Eastern of the	100.000 kW	187M	84.3	82.7	2.65 <
	291C Wilson 35 45 36 78 11 Ø4 Voyager Communication	100.000 kW	411M	113.8	102.6	18.16
WXQRFM CP CN	28802 Jacksonville 34 31 10 77 26 52 Marine Broadcasting (	19.000 kW	242M	48.4	34.2	22.84

#### 290A ALLOCATION STUDY

SITE IS TRADITIONAL PINE KNOLL SHORES APPLICATION SITE.

### EXHIBIT #1

LAWRENCE & MARGARET LOESCH WERX-FM REQUESTS 273C1 COLUMBIA, NORTH CAROLINA

OCTOBER 1993



#### AFFIDAVIT AND QUALIFICATIONS OF CONSULTANT

State of Georgia	)	
St. Simons Island	)	SS.
County of Glynn	)	

CLIFTON G. MOOR being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is an officer of Bromo Communications, Inc. Bromo has been engaged by Lawrence & Margaret Loesch, licensee of WERX-FM Radio Station, to prepare the attached Technical Exhibit.

His qualifications are a matter of record before the Federal Communications Commission. He has been active in broadcast engineering since 1966.

The attached report was either prepared by him or under his direction and all material and exhibits attached hereto are believed to be true and correct.

This the 27th day of September, 1993.

CLIFTON G. MOOR

Affiant

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the 27th day of September, 1993.

Notary Public, State of Geoppia

My Commission Expires: September 8, 1995

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Martha K. Trull, a legal assistant in the law firm of Tharrington, Smith & Hargrove, hereby certify that a copy of the forgoing FURTHER COMMENTS OF LAWRENCE AND MARGARET LOESCH were served on the following parties in the manner indicated:

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This the 2th day of November, 1993.

Martha K. Trul